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we've had a fairly intense discussion of each of these, and I would urge advancement of the bill. Thank you.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: You've heard the closing. The question before the body is the advancement of LB 1310. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record. There's been a request by Senator Chambers for a record vote.

CLERK: (Record vote read, Legislative Journal pages 1048-1049.) 32 ayes, 5 nays, Mr. President, on the advancement of LB 1310.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: The bill advances. Senator Wehrbein, would you please come to the desk for a moment. Items for the record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, amendments: Senator Byars would like to print an amendment to LB 1021; Senator Erdman an amendment to LB 814. (Legislative Journal page 1049.)

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: We next move to LB 1309. Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, LB 1309 was a bill originally introduced by the Speaker at the request of the Governor. (Read title.) The bill was introduced on March 5, referred to the Appropriations Committee, advanced to General File. I do have committee amendments, Mr. President. (AM3079, Legislative Journal page 997.)

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. Senator Wehrbein, you're recognized to open on the bill.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Thank you, Mr. President and members. First of all, the committee recommendations will become the bill, and so I don't have a lot to say about the initial bill. I think I'll spend a little time on the committee recommendations. And this will be on page 10 on your canary sheet, is where I will be talking about. I'm just going to give an overview here before lunch, so that you have a...I know many of you were at the briefing Tuesday morning, but I want to...the overall view would be on page 10 and 11, telling about the General Fund appropriations to major areas, and the general consequence of